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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM CHARGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SOUTHERN LEBANON

REF: (A) BEIRUT 0574, (B) STATE 028943

1. FOREIGN MINISTER BOUTROS TELEPHONED ME AT THE EMBASSY AT 1900 LOCAL TIME FEB 9 AND ASKED THAT I COMMUNICATE TO YOU IMMEDIATELY THE FOLLOWING FOUR POINTS:

(1) THE GOL AGREES TO THE PRINCIPLE OF WITHDRAWAL OF SYRIAN FORCES TO AYSHIYAH.

(2) THIS DECISION DOES NOT IMPLY ANY AGREEMENT BY THE GOL TO ANY ISRAELI RIGHTS TO DICTATE CONDITIONS IN THIS AREA OR GOL AGREEMENT TO ANY FURTHER WITHDRAWALS. THE ENTIRE QUESTION OF SOUTHERN LEBANON MAY BE DISCUSSED FURTHER WITH SECRETARY VANCE DURING HIS VISIT.

(3) THE TIMETABLE FOR THE WITHDRAWAL TO AYSHIYAH WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO ME TOMORROW, FEB 10. THE QUESTION OF THE STATIONING OF LEBANESE

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FORCES IN NABATIYAH WILL BE EXAMINED IN THIS CONTEXT.

(4) AFTER THE WITHDRAWAL TO AYSHIYAH, THE AREA BETWEEN AYSHIYAH AND NABATIYAH MAY BE PATROLLED BY LEBANESE FORCES OR LEBANESE FORCES MAY BE STATIONED IN THIS AREA.

2. COMMENT: I HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT GOL MAY BE
CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY OF USING NON-SYRIAN ASF FORCES
IN SOME PARTS OF THIS AREA. IF I AM ASKED IF THIS
WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, HOW SHOULD I RESPOND?
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